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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ROYAL VISIT TO ZAIRE

1. FOREIGN MINISTER'S CHEF DE CABINET (VAN BELLINGHEN) ASKED JANUARY 31 FOR US VIEWS ON PROBLEM RELATED TO OFFICIAL VISIT OF KING BAUDOUIN AND QUEEN FABIOLA TO TUNISIA, SENEGAL, TANZANIA, AND ZAMBIA, FEBRUARY 21-MARCH 6. VAN BELLINGHEN SAID PRESIDENT MOBUTU HAS REQUESTED THAT KING AND QUEEN ALSO COME TO ZAIRE AND SPECIFICALLY TO KINSHASA. BELGIANS ARE NOT CERTAIN HOW TO REACT. THEY DO NOT WISH TO OFFEND MOBUTU BUT ALSO PREFER NOT TO DO ANYTHING TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR HIM AT THIS TIME. THEY ARE CONSIDERING FOLLOWING OPTIONS: A) VISIT TO KINSHASA; B) STOP ONLY IN LUBUMBASHI FOR MEETING WITH MOBUTU; C) DECLINE INVITATION ALTOGETHER. VAN BELLINGHEN EXPRESSED HOPE WE COULD CONVEY US VIEWS ASAP, SINCE DECISION MUST BE MADE EARLY NEXT WEEK.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS BY COB FEBRUARY 3. RENNER

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